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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114 is being filed concurrently with this amendment. The claim amendments and accompanying remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 31, 2007 and the Advisory Action dated June 8, 2007 which issued in the above-referenced patent application. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.